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GREENVILLE, S. C., OHIO.

The spring girl is about ready to make her bow.

Milliners say that the size of women's hats will be smaller this spring. But what about the bills?

The war between the bobble skirt and the high car step goes on in many cities with varying results.

The weather man should realize that anticipation is nearly as bad as realization and let up on it.

The firecracker trust in China can be trusted to make the republic's independence a day a noisy holiday.

An oculist tells us that alcohol hurts the eyesight, and yet we have known it to make men see double.

Burglars in Gary, Ind., stole a house the other night. Next thing we know they will kidnap the village lockup.

The woman who is dazzling eastern society by wearing diamonds on her slippers is certainly well heeled.

Hens can be taught to talk, according to a Washington scientist, but what we want is less talk and more eggs.

Fighting a duel with wax bullets is a noble sport, but why not use perfume sprays and make it all the rage in Paris?

A New Jersey man has been sent to jail for stealing a loaf of bread, but think of all the advertising he is getting out of it.

Football rules have been changed again, but up to date no step has been taken to equip the rosters with Maxlin silencers.

A doctor tells us that anger generates sugar in the blood, and yet we have often met amiable men with sweet dispositions.

A Missouri court has granted a woman \$2 for the loss of her husband's affections. The husband probably feels flattered.

Every wedding is declared to be a culmination of a romance. It is useless to try to change the pet phrases of the newspaper man.

An Austrian archduke is to visit New York during the coming summer. More trouble for those on the outer fringe of the Four Hundred.

The Japanese ambassador tells us that the world is at peace. Aside from the fact that there are a few wars in progress, he is right.

With the per capita money of the country down to \$34.61, a good many people will have to be content with their last year's automobiles.

A woman writer tells us that chewing gum steadies the nerves, but it is more than likely that she derives more money from chewing the rag.

A family of six has lived for three months on \$2 a week, says a Boston paper. It is easier to guess what they didn't have to eat than what they did.

One of the most cheerful aspects of the Chinese situation is the regularity with which Wu Ting Fang lands a big job with each change of administration.

A Yale professor rises to remark that \$12.61 a week is enough. We presume that all he gets over and above that amount is turned back into the Yale treasury.

Wearing jewels in the heel is said to be gaining popularity, but only among high steppers.

The race on higher education is expensive. Yale is building this year a \$700,000 stadium.

All musical instruments are denounced as immoral by a New Jersey minister. We would be pleased to have him tell us what harm a bass drum ever did.

Another prophet comes to the front with the prediction that the world will end in the year 4237. We hereby indite a message of sympathy to the citizens of 4237.

A New Jersey woman has been brought into court for carrying a revolver. It won't do to permit the women to take their leap year privilege too seriously.

A Pennsylvania Enoch Arden on his reappearance was promptly sent to jail. This course followed, as a rule, might tend largely to decrease these poetic resurrections.

A set of fanatical Russian women tried to crucify a man whom they had adopted as their "savior." As he called the police we take it that he was merely willing to live, not die the part.

The New York surrogate has refused to upset the will of a rich spinster who believed that her cat was a reasoning being and possessed a soul. An old established belief of that sort, dating back to the days of ancient Egypt, is surely entitled to some respect.

A Kansas judge says it is a crime to marry on \$9 a week, but the crime is mitigated when the girl's father is well to do.

The testimony that tips are decreasing in court by a waiter, should serve as an incentive to the public to cease the demoralizing practice of giving tips. A large proportion of the people who give them do so because it is the fashion. If it is not so much the fashion as it was, the greater encouragement to this class of tippers to cease.

FLOODS DROWN 20

100,000 SUFFERING FROM EFFECT OF WORST TERROR KNOWN TO PRESENT.

BIG DIKE IS SWEEPED OUT

Thousands in Danger of Drowning Through Inability to Escape From Water Surrounded Homes—\$10,000,000 in Property Is Destroyed.

St. Louis.—The worst flood in the nation's history is now sweeping the Mississippi river valley. One hundred thousand persons are the victims.

With additional tragedies recorded from the zone affected, the death list reached 20.

The government levee in the Reelfoot lake region, a few miles south of Hickman, Ky., has given way. Long gaps were torn in the barrier that protected several counties of northwest Tennessee and the released waters quickly spread themselves over thousands of acres of land to the depth of many feet.

The water is rising everywhere except at upper points on tributaries.

Thousands are actually in danger of drowning through inability to escape from homes surrounded by water. At two Missouri towns, residents are reported clinging to tree tops and the roofs of their homes, waiting to be rescued.

The property loss is incalculable.

The levees at Cairo proper still hold, although a report that the bank had let go early sent a thrill of horror throughout the nation. Fortunately, the alarm proved groundless.

Flood warnings have been sent to all points along the lower river, and thousands of refugees are fleeing to the highlands.

Various estimates ranging as high as \$10,000,000 have been placed on the property damage.

Memphis, Tenn.—Gasoline launches were sent out from Charleston, Mo., to Bird's Mill and Wyatt to rescue residents of the two villages, who are reported clinging to house tops and in trees.

In answer to an appeal from Randolph, Tenn., a squad of militiamen left Memphis with tents and supplies for refugees.

William Lynn, wife and three children were drowned between Bird's Point and Wyatt, Mo. Lynn was a farmer and was overtaken with his family by the rising water.

Couriers were sent out along the levees to warn planters that breaks in the embankments were feared momentarily.

Only a desperate fight can prevent the rising flood from breaking through the levee at Caruthersville, Mo. Should a breach occur, the loss of life and property would be great.

Caruthersville is full of refugees from the lowlands of Tennessee, where there is no levee protection. Houses are being washed away and all available steamers are searching the lowlands for sufferers. Several hundred have been brought in.

Cairo, Ill.—The backing of water from the Tenth street drainage pump here threw citizens into a panic and the report spread that the levee which holds the Ohio river out of Cairo had broken. The report proved untrue.

The rumor that the levee had broken spread rapidly and caused residents to go to the second story of their homes and the buildings they were in. Couriers went through the city reassuring the citizens that no break had occurred.

The river here again reached the stage of 53.9 feet, and it is expected to remain at this stage for several days. The breaking of the government levee at Hickman, Ky., will relieve the strain on the levee at Cairo and other points north of Hickman.

The scene at the drainage district, immediately north of Cairo, is appalling. Houses which were partly submerged by the breaking of the drainage district levees were torn from their foundations.

Hickman, Ky.—A picture of utter desolation is presented by this flooded town. A tented city shelters 3,000 refugees, while a waste of muddy water stretches out around the city.

Thieves are active in West Hickman. County authorities may ask for a company of militia to protect property.

50,000 MEN RETURN TO WORK

England Sees End of Coal Strike When Men Resume Labor in Their Accustomed Places.

London.—More than fifty thousand miners are at work now. The men are steadily returning to the pits and it is believed that the end of the strike is in sight. Hundreds of thousands of people who are accustomed to spending the Easter holidays at sea side and country resorts are remaining in the cities this year owing to the crippled train service throughout the kingdom.

Canada and West Indians in Pact. Ottawa, Ont.—The trade conference between the Canadian and West Indian governments, it is said, will involve a mutual preferential tariff on an agreed list of articles which are the main products raised for export in either country or imported by the other.

Two Snits Run for Mayor. La Crosse, Wis.—August Smith defeated August Smith for mayor of Viroqua, Wis., according to the official count, which has been completed.

Saves Wife's Negro Assailant. Elkton, Ky.—Leon Taliaferro, a thirty-year-old negro, was saved from lynching here only by the pleading of George W. Robinson, whose wife the negro is alleged to have attacked. Robinson, a prominent farmer, begged that the law be allowed to take its course.

Fire Destroys \$100,000 Church. Waterbury, Conn.—Fire destroyed the first Baptist church here, with a loss of \$100,000. A gas explosion injured two firemen.

WORK OF RIOTERS IN PEKING



PHOTOGRAPHS JUST RECEIVED FROM PEKING SHOW THAT GREAT DAMAGE WAS DONE BY THE RIOTERS IN THAT CITY RECENTLY. THE UPPER PICTURE SHOWS A GANG OF COOLIES DIGGING IN THE RUINS OF A RESIDENCE FOR THE RECOVERY OF BODIES AND VALUABLES. BELOW IS A SCENE OF RUIN IN THE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS THOROUGHFARE OF PEKING, WHERE THE MOBS BURNED AND LOOTED THE SHOPS AND KILLED MANY PERSONS.

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RODGERS IS KILLED

NOTED AVIATOR PLUNGES 250 FEET TO DEATH WHEN AIRSHIP DROPS.

SCRAMBLE FOR SOUVENIRS

Transcontinental Airman Drops Into Ocean at Long Beach, Cal.—Was the First to Cross the Country in an Aeroplane.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The only man who ever flew across the American continent, Calbraith Perry Rodgers, was killed here when his biplane fell 250 feet into the breakers at Long Beach.

Rodgers fell from his seat in the machine and his body shot downward ahead of the biplane, striking in the shallow surf. His neck was broken, and he died instantly.

With several thousand people watching him, he ascended for an exhibition flight, taking off at the edge of the beach. Rising about 150 feet, the machine suddenly tilted at a perilous angle, and the spectators realized that something was wrong.

Rodgers managed to right the aeroplane and again began to climb in a long spiral. When he was about 400 feet in the air the machine suddenly dipped sharply and plunged like a plummet earthward.

An instant after Rodgers struck the shallow water the machine crashed into the surf and was reduced to a mass of splintered wreckage and tangled wire, so that the exact cause of the accident may never be known, although it is believed that one of the wire guys broke as he was rising in the air.

Thus ended the career of one of the most brilliant, daring and resourceful aviators of the age.

MILWAUKEE SOCIALISTS LOSE

Fusion Ticket Wins Election by Majority of Over 18,000 Votes—Campaign Very Violent.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Dr. Gerhard A. Bading, Republican, has been elected mayor of Milwaukee on a Fusion ticket, on which his associates were J. P. Carney and Louis M. Kotekoff, for treasurer and city controller, respectively, both Democrats. This marks the downfall of Socialism by the biggest vote ever cast in any election in Milwaukee. The Fusion ticket, with eight aldermen at large, and a majority of the ward aldermen, is carried into office by a majority over the Socialists of over 18,000.

The result follows the most violent city campaign in Milwaukee history, as evidenced by the fact that 80,000 votes were polled, out of a total registration of 90,000, and as compared with 60,000 votes for the highest previous record of any election.

Paris Bandits Raid Again. Paris.—Paris bandits leaped on to an expressman's wagon in the vicinity of Choley-le-Roi, about six miles from Paris, killed the driver by strangling him, and looted the wagon. They then tossed the corpse to the roadside. No trace of them has been found.

Red Cross Helps Famine Victims. Washington, Que.—Another \$10,000 has been dispatched to China by the American Red Cross here for famine and revolution sufferers, a total of \$115,000 since January 1.

Dafos to Manage Manitoba Road. St. Paul, Minn.—C. E. Dafos, formerly superintendent of terminals for the Chicago Great Western railway in St. Paul, has been appointed superintendent of the Midland railway of Manitoba, recently acquired by the Northern Pacific.

Japan Greets Baden-Powell. Tokyo, Japan.—The Yokohama boy scouts, comprising several nationalities, welcomed General Baden-Powell, founder of the organization, on his arrival in their city.

UNDER FEDERAL LAW

HOUSE COMMITTEE LINKS MAILS AND EXPRESS IN BILL.

Would Interchange Packages With Rural Delivery Service—Highest Rate Is 12 Cents.

Washington.—A bill enlarging the interstate commerce law so as to place express companies under the commission was reported to the house by the committee on interstate commerce.

The bill would govern the transportation of packages not exceeding eleven pounds in weight and with a valuation of \$50 or less. No allowance would be made for the expense of transfer from one express company to another.

The rates would be fixed as follows: Between any two points in the United States more than 2,000 miles apart, 12 cents a pound; not more than 2,000 miles apart, 10 cents; not more than 1,500 miles apart, 7 cents; not more than 800 miles apart, 5 cents; not more than 600 miles apart, 4 cents; and between points not more than 250 miles apart, 2 cents a pound.

It is provided, however, that no express company shall be compelled to accept for transportation any package for a charge of less than 10 cents. An innovation in the bill is the provision for co-operation between the express companies and the rural free delivery routes. Express matter destined for a farmer living on a rural mail route would be delivered by the express agent at the nearest point to its destination, where, provided the shipper had attached the necessary postage, it would be turned over to the mail carrier, through the regular channels, for delivery. Rural carriers likewise would be authorized to accept matter on which postage had been paid for delivery to the express company.

PLAN REJECTED BY U. S. Wickersham insists That Harvester Firm Be Divided Into Six Parts.

Washington.—Attorney General Wickersham has rejected the proposal to dissolve the "harvester trust" by dividing the concern into two companies.

He demands the division of the corporation into six parts, each of which shall manufacture one of the patents on harvesters controlled by the concern. This is the first serious complication of the negotiations for an amicable reorganization of the International Harvester company so as to make it conform to the Supreme court's interpretation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

It was stated, however, that the negotiations are not entirely off, but that a further attempt will be made by the representatives of the company to reach an agreement with the department of justice.

Safety Methods for Miners.

Duluth, Minn.—George R. Hawes, mine rescue engineer, has begun organizing miners on iron ranges with a view to prevent underground disasters. They are being instructed in fighting fires and other forms of death in the mines.

Easter Outing for 11,000. Montreal, Que.—More than 11,000 persons from Montreal spent Easter in New York city. They distributed something like \$900,000 in that city and in railroad fares.

Reflect Parents' Hate. Milwaukee.—An unprecedented situation arose in a school in the Twenty-second ward, a Socialistic ward here, when the pupils in several rooms refused to stand and join in the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," as the result of Socialist anger at the defeat in the election.

Doctor on Trial for Murder. Bad Axe, Mich.—The trial of Dr. Robert A. McGregor, accused of the murder of Seyrel Sparling by administering poison, opened here.

WILSON IN DENIALS

TESTIFIES AS TO ALLEGATIONS IN EVERGLADES CASE.

Department Has Not Made Complete Inquiry of Florida Project.

Washington.—Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson testified before the house committee on expenditures in the agricultural department, in answer to critics in and out of congress, on his conduct in connection with reports on the drainage of the Florida Everglades.

Mr. Wilson has been under fire of opposing interests and factions in Florida lands and Florida politics. First he was attacked for permitting to be published departmental reports which boomed Everglades lands, and more recently because he suppressed the information.

Mr. Wilson denied that the original excerpt of the report of Major J. O. Wright on the Everglades was given out with his consent. This excerpt was used in advertising purposes in Florida. It was obtained in the department by Henry Clay Hall.

Later, Mr. Wilson said, he wrote former Governor Gilchrist of Florida and authorized the publication of parts of his letter in relation to the Everglades.

Mr. Wilson expressed the opinion that the department had not made a complete investigation of the Everglades project on any of the features covered in the reports in controversy. He dismissed the details of the rivalry between department experts and their complaints that they were being robbed of credit for work.

CAMPA REPULSED AT PARRAL

General Teller's Federal Command From Torreon Reached Beleaguered City in Time to Assist.

Jimenez, Chihuahua.—Defeated in his attack upon Parral, Gen. Emilio Campa retreated to the liberal base here, leaving only a small force near Parral, and these are now being driven back.

General Teller's federal command from Torreon reached the beleaguered city before the liberal command attacked and this brought the strength of the defending garrison to a number estimated by the liberals at nearly 2,000. They beat back the rebels with ease in the fighting.

Campa was forced to retreat, losing one of his field pieces in the retreat, and now the federalists who hold the city are pressing north after him and engaging a command of 400 under Major Quevedo, left by Campa to cover his retreat and harass the federalists. Gen. Inez Salazar and Gen. Luis Fernandez have been dispatched towards Parral with other troops and a big battle is expected to take place at a point between this place and Parral when the two armies meet.

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GOVERNOR'S ROOM IS INVADDED AND SUITCASE CONTAINING PAPERS IS TAKEN.

Room Workers Pass By the Silver and Other Valuable Articles—Want Only Private Correspondence.

Chicago.—"Room workers" broke into Gov. Woodrow Wilson's suite of rooms at the Hotel Sherman and stole a suitcase full of private correspondence and papers belonging to the New Jersey executive.

The robbery occurred between 2 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon, while the Democratic presidential candidate was at St. Mary's rectory with Rev. P. J. O'Callaghan and other priests of the Paulist order.

It was discovered at 2:30 o'clock, when the governor returned to his room. It was then found that the robbers had left valuable silver, toilet articles and other belongings of pecuniary value.

INDICTED FOR MURDER

That Hung Over Woman For Seven Years Ripens Into Indictment.

Augusta, Me.—Mrs. Eliza Hobbs Raymond occupies a cell in the Kennebec county jail, seven years after suspicion that she knew more about the murder of Mattie Hackett than anyone else, first rested on her. She was indicted and after a trip to her boarding place a mile away was committed to await six months for trial.

The fight for the freedom of Mrs. Raymond—there is no capital punishment in this state—will prove one of the most thrilling, it is believed, that ever took place in Maine.

Aviator Painfully Injured. Canton, O.—David Neil, mill worker and aeroplanist, had a miraculous escape from death when a biplane in which he was riding turned over at a height of about 50 feet and crashed to the earth. He sustained painful but not serious injuries to his back and head. Neil had made a series of trial flights and hiding his engine in perfect condition ascended and was riding at a forty-mile clip when the accident happened. His machine was almost completely demolished. He was picked up from the wreckage in a semi-conscious condition.

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